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Government units southeast of Phnom Penh lost additional ground to the Khmer Communists over the weekend: the new setback occurred near the Mekong River some 12 miles below the capital where several government battalions abandoned their positions and retreated nearly a mile up Route 1. To the west, other government troops reported slight progress in their efforts to retake positions lost last week. Ground action elsewhere in the country remains relatively light. A Mekong River resupply convoy encountered light harassing fire while en route to Phnom Penh on December 16.

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